

# Public Notice on

### **Indiana Regulatory Boundary Change**

## U S Army Corps of Engineers

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This Public Notice announces a change in the Regulatory Program Boundaries in Northwestern Indiana. Regulatory authority in the Indiana Counties of Lake, Porter, and a portion of LaPorte will now become the responsibility of Chicago District as directed in recently enacted legislation. Regulatory work in those counties was previously undertaken by the Army Corps' Detroit District. Please refer to the map on page two.

The legislation, Public Law 111-8, Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009, Section 118 states: "The Secretary of Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, shall reassign the regulatory boundaries of the Chicago District to align with the existing civil works boundaries of the Chicago District." The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has been delegated the authority to issue permits for work in the nation's waters pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).

The schedule for the transition from Detroit District to Chicago District is based on three key dates: October 1, 2009, January 1, 2010 and January 29, 2010. On October 1, 2009 all new requests for regulatory actions including applications for permits, requests for jurisdictional determinations and reports of alleged unauthorized activities should be directed to the Chicago District Regulatory Branch at the above address. During the period October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009 the Detroit District will bring to completion as many actions of all types already in their possession that they can. Any pending actions, other than those that on a case by case basis cannot be transferred to Chicago District, will be transferred for finalization to the Chicago District by January 29, 2010.

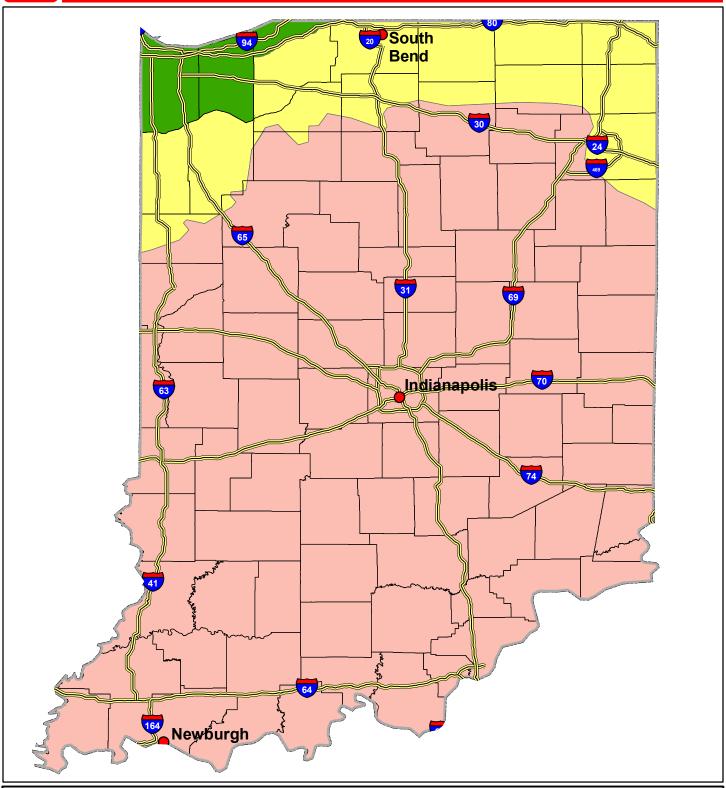
Historic records for those counties will be transferred from Detroit to Chicago Districts and any Freedom of Information Act requests in the affected counties should be directed to the Chicago District Office of Counsel at the above address after October 1, 2009.

Chicago District is developing an internet website for Indiana Regulatory Information at <a href="https://www.lrc.usace.army.mil/co-r">www.lrc.usace.army.mil/co-r</a> which will contain relevant documents, applications for permits and associated information. Please check this site frequently in the next few months as it will be actively developed and expanded.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact Mitch Isoe, Regulatory Branch Chief, and Chicago District at 312-846-5530.









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## New Regulatory Program Area of the Chicago District Corps of Engineers.

